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March 9, 2021

Frank Pozniak Executive Director State 911 Department 151 Campanelli Drive, Suite A Middleborough, MA 02246

Re: D.T.C. 21-3, Petition of the State 911 Department for Approval of Fiscal Year ("FY") 2021 Expenditures, FY 2022 Development Grant Amount and FY 2022 Regional PSAP Three to Nine Communities Category Percentage.

Dear Executive Director Pozniak:

The Department of Telecommunications and Cable ("Department") has received your above-captioned petition of February 25, 2021. Pursuant to G.L. c. 6A, § 18H(c), the Department hereby gives notice of its intent to investigate the State 911 Department's petition. The Department has docketed the matter as D.T.C. 21-3 and the Department has assigned me as the Hearing Officer to this proceeding. Going forward, please ensure that all correspondence regarding this matter contains a heading with the case docket number D.T.C. 21-3, and that a copy of the same is forwarded directly to my attention.

Pursuant to statute, the Department has ninety (90) days to issue a final ruling on this petition, or the State 911 Department may presume that the petition has been granted. *See* G.L. c. 6A, §§ 18B(i),18H(c). In light of the limited period in which the Department must conduct its review, it has set April 7, 2021, as the date for a public and evidentiary hearing of this petition.

Enclosed you will find a Service List, a Department Order of Notice requiring the State 911 Department to publish a notice of public hearing, as well as the text of the notice of public hearing ("Hearing Notice"), which must be published in the *Boston Globe* no later than March 24, 2021. The Hearing Notice also sets forth the deadline for intervention in this proceeding. Due to the strict timeline in this proceeding, the Department may issue information requests on a rolling basis throughout its review. Unless otherwise instructed by the Department, all information requests should be answered as soon as possible, but no later than ten (10) calendar days after receipt.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (857) 408-5175.

Sincerely,

/s/ William Bendetson William Bendetson Hearing Officer

cc (w/encs.): D.T.C. 21-3 Service List (attached)